

Mark Your Calendar

June 8 - 15 Texas Summer Junior Tennis Grand Slam, 260-9898

June 8 Brazos Valley Bombers: Opening Night, Travis Park, 7pm

June 9 - 11 16th Annual Rod Run, Central Park, 823-0352

June 9 Starlight Music Series: Rotel & the Hot Tomatoes, Wolf Pen Amphitheater, 6:30 pm

June 11 - 15 Early voting for Council Runoff Election, City Hall, 8 am - 5 pm

June 12 President George Bush & Mrs. Bush Birthday Celebration, Bush Museum, 9:30 am

June 14 Flag Day

--Freedom's Legacy: Celebration of Juneteenth, Bush Library, 9 am --City Council*, Workshop, 3 pm; Regular Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall -- Classic Film Series: Hellcats of the Navy, Presidential Conference Center, Bush Library, 7 pm

June 15 - 16, Girls State Softball Tournament, Central Park, 7 pm

June 17 Fathers Day

--Fathers swim free at all CS pools.

June 11 - 15 Early voting for Council Runoff Election, City Hall, 7 am - 7 pm

June 20 Health and Safety Expo, Brazos Center, 9 am - 3 pm

June 21 P&Z Meeting*, City Hall, 7pm

June 23 Council Run-Off Election, 7 am - 7 pm

June 28 City Council*, Workshop, 3 pm, Regular Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

July 4 Independence Day --July 4th Celebration, Adamson Lagoon, 10 am

-- Annual Fourth of July Celebration, George Bush Library

* Broadcast live on Cable Channel 19 and www.cstx.gov.

News to Know

- Traditional summer vacation months (June, July, and August) are also the peak months for burglaries. It's no coincidence that most residential burglaries occur during the day when folks are at work or school. Going away on vacation makes homes even more attractive as targets. To minimize the chance of burglary, Lt. Mark G. Langwell of the College Station Police Department offers the following burglary prevention tips:
- Make sure exterior doors are made of solid wood or metal and secured with a heavy duty deadbolt lock with a one-inch throw bolt and a heavy duty knob-in-lock set with a deadlatch mechanism.
- Create the illusion of occupancy with light-timers on interior lights near the front and back windows with the curtains drawn. Exterior lights should be on timers as well.
- Ask a trusted neighbor to pick up your mail and newspapers and to oversee vendors such as lawn or pool services. Do not leave a key hidden outside. Ask the neighbors to park in your driveway occasionally.
- Trim tree branches below six feet off the ground and trim shrubs down to three feet. This minimizes hiding places for burglars.
- Arm your alarm system before you leave. Be sure to have the alarm company signs near the front and rear doors and on first floor windows.

Following these steps should significantly reduce the chance that a home would be targeted for a burglary. No system is foolproof. Keep an up-todate inventory of your possessions. The College Station Police Department, through Operation ID, will loan engraving tools to use in engraving your drivers license number on your possessions. They will also conduct security surveys of your home or business free of charge. Upon completion of the survey, homeowners may be eligible to receive a discount on their homeowners insurance. For more information, contact Officer Karla Wiesepape at 764-3573.

- Cost effective and streamlining services, that's the word. **Click2Gov is** a new software program used to track building permits in College Station. Contractors can complete online the most common steps in the construction process, including scheduling or rescheduling inspections, viewing inspection results, and accessing comments entered by building inspectors on a 24/7 basis. The user friendly software shows inspections required to complete a project on a single, easy-to-read screen. Total cost of the new system was \$9000 for installation, setup and training.
- The new Lincoln Center Spray Park, 1000 Eleanor, opened in May as a cool new addition to the City's pools. The water park looks somewhat like a tropical garden with a palm tree and oversized flowers that function as the eight motion sensor sprayers. Children of all ages can splash and play on a cushioned forgiving surface in the zero depth facility. The City's Community Development Block Grant Funding provided for the park.

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